GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7696
ANSWERED ON:16.05.2000
EXPENDITURE ON TREATMENT OF FORMER PRIME MINISTER
BHUWAN CHANDRA AVSM (RETD.) KHANDURI

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have been meeting the expenditure on the specialist Treatment of the former Prime Ministers, both within and outside the country;

(b) if so, the expenses incurred on the medical treatment of each of the Ex-Prime Ministers in India and abroad during the last three years;

(c) whether any special equipment has been imported for treatment of any of the ex-Prime Ministers;

(d) if so, the details thereof indicating its cost and the running cost separately; and

(e) whether any provision exists for such expenditure or special sanction is required to be given in each case?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE LN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SH SHANMUGAM)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The requisite information is available in the attached statement at Annexure-I.

(c)&(d) A Reverse Osmosis system along with the water treatment machine and the accessories for haemodialysis have been imported for the treatment of Shri V.P. singh, ex-P.M. The cost of the equipment was Rs.15.3 lakhs and the running cost of the machine is not yet available.

(e) Keeping in view the status of the ex-Prime Ministers, specials sanction was accorded by the Government for their treatment abroad.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 7696 FOR 16.5.2000 INDIC/ THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON MEDICAL TREATMENT IN INDIA AND ABROAD IN RESPECT OF EX MINISTERS DURING THE LAST THREE EYARS

1) Shri V.P. Singh, former P.M.

(Treatment in India) Rs. 24, 31, 991/-

(Treatment abroad) 1997-98 Rs. 1,15,25,376.08
1998-99 Rs. 3,04,40,960.92
1999-2000 Rs. 1,81,39,050.00
Total Rs. 6,01,05,387.00

2) Shri P.V. Narasimha Rao, ex-P.M.

(Treatment in India) Rs.40,215/-

(Treatment abroad) 1998-99 Rs.59,15,592.62